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Spring Clean Up Start your spring cleaning plans...

Spring Clean Up will be here soon!

When: April 18 & 19 and April 25 & 26

8 am – 4 pm each day

Where: 3323 1st Avenue

Who: City of Evans residents only (Hill-n-Park and Arrowhead are

> NOT within Evans City limits) How: Residents who pay for their trash service through their water bill will

receive two (2) free vouchers in their April water bill.

> Additional vouchers may be purchased at the Community Complex.

Additional details coming soon to Facebook and our website.

Click these icons in the online version for more information.

# Economic Development

#### **Evans Business to Business Event**

### "Leading Onward and Upward"

#### FREE Registration still open!

March 4, 2015

9:00 am - 1:00 pm

Riverside Library and Cultural Center Banquet Hall

Maximize your business potential! The City of Evans annual Business to Business event will feature onpoint seminars, informative Q & A sessions and resource tables.

Register for this FREE seminar today: 970.351.4274



## **Public Works**



## Space Heater Safety

As the weather turns colder many families use space heaters to balance the heat in their homes. If you need to use a space heater in your home please follow these tips to keep yourself and your family safe this winter.

#### Do's:

- Use a space heater that has been tested to the latest safety standards and has been certified by a nationally recognized testing laboratory. These heaters have the most up-to-date safety features. Older space heaters may not meet newer safety standards. Always follow the manufacturer's directions for proper use.
- Place the heater on a level, hard, nonflammable surface, such as a ceramic tile floor.
- Keep the heater at least three feet away from bedding, drapes, furniture, and other flammable materials.
- Keep children and pets away from space heaters.
- Turn the heater off if you leave the area.

#### Don'ts:

- Never leave a space heater on when you go to sleep or near any sleeping person.
- Never use gasoline in a kerosene space heater, as even small amounts of gasoline mixed with kerosene can increase the risk of fire.
- Don't use portable propane space heaters indoors or in any confined space unless they are specifically designed for indoor use.
- Also, be sure to place smoke alarms on every level of your home, outside of sleeping areas, and inside each bedroom. Guard against carbon monoxide (CO) poisonings as well by installing carbon monoxide alarms in your home. Make sure that the batteries in all alarms are working.

# Evans fire Protection District www.evanscolorado.gov/community/evans-fire-protection-district

#### **Frozen Lake and Pond Safety**

Each winter, after the ice forms on Colorado's waters, outdoor enthusiasts enjoy ice fishing, ice skating and other fun winter sports. Before going out onto a frozen lake, pond or river, it's important to take safety precautions to reduce the risk of falling through the ice. Knowing how to judge ice conditions will also help you make more informed decisions while enjoying winter. Remember, you take a risk any time you go out onto the ice.

- Carefully Check Ice Conditions. Ice thickness may not be consistent.
- Don't judge ice strictly by appearance.
- Always keep dogs on a leash near ponds and lakes.
- When ice fishing, it is always a good idea to drill test holes as you progress out onto a lake to help judge the thickness and character of the ice.
- Beware of ice around partially submerged objects, such as trees, logs, or dam structures.
- Stay away from cracks, slushy areas and darker areas that signify thinner ice.
- Be aware of ice that forms at the edge of the lake during the fall and melts at the edges first in spring.
- Be aware of ice covered with snow. Sometimes the snow serves as insulation. Other times, it has the opposite effect by insulating the surface from freezing.
- Never go out onto the ice alone. A friend could rescue you or go for help if you fall through.
- When changing locations on the ice, always walk at least ten yards apart from others.
- Always inform someone of your destination and expected time of return.
- Always wear a life jacket or personal flotation device over a snowmobile suit or layered winter clothing. Life jackets can provide excellent flotation and protection against hypothermia.
- Assemble a safety kit to include a lighter or waterproof matches, whistle, an ice pick, a rope and cellular phone. These items could save your life.

### What to do if you Fall Through the Ice

- If you can't get out of the cold water by yourself, take appropriate actions to extend your survival time while waiting to be rescued.
- Stay calm and whistle to attract help.
- Act slowly and deliberately to conserve heat and move slowly back to where you entered the water. Expect a progressive decrease in your strength and ability to move.
- Once on the ice, try to push yourself forward on your stomach or roll over on your side to keep the weight distributed over a greater surface area. Do not stand up until you have moved onto the ground or an area of solid ice.

Source: Colorado State Parks

# Whistle Stop

Prairie Heights Middle School



#### Sunday, March 22

1:30 - 3:30 pm

District 6 officials invite residents of Greeley and Evans to tour our newest school, Prairie Heights Middle School, at the intersection of 65th Avenue and 37th Street. Still an active construction site, please wear sturdy shoes for the tour. The school is about 70% complete.

Parking is located on the south side of the school, and can be accessed from 65th Avenue about 200 yards south of the 37th Street intersection.

Stop by anytime during the tour window and see your tax dollars at work!

District 6 staff will be available along the tour route to explain the layout of the building. The tour will take about 20-30 minutes.

Prairie Heights Middle School will open in August this year. It is being constructed to replace John Evans Middle School, and is funded by both a Building Excellent Schools Today grant and a bond issue that was approved by District 6 voters in 2012.





Thanks to five Evans Police Department Officers who participated in the Polar Plunge on February 21 at Horsetooth Reservoir. They raised over \$1000 for Special Olympics. You guys rock!! Thanks Shawn Holmes, Michael Yates, Brad Rodriguez, Jason Peppas and Matt Walker.

# Recreation Department

### Registration Now Open:

Call 970-475-1125 for more information or to register



#### Summer Day Camp

Registration begins March 23.

#### Hot Shot Soccer

5–8 year olds

Registration still open through March 8 \$30

### Extreme Baseball Extreme Softball

9–14 year olds

Registration still open through March 29 \$90

#### **Evans Recreation Center Open Daily**

Monday-Thursday 5:30am-9:00pm

Friday 5:30am-7:00pm

Saturday and Sunday 8:00am-12:00pm

# Staying on Track

#### **City Finance**

See the newest Sales Tax Update Newsletter

www.evanscolorado.gov/finance/sales-tax-update-newsletter

# **Now Hiring**

If you are looking for a job, there are several positions available, right here with the City of Evans. The job openings accommodate a wide range of skill sets and experience levels. If you are interested in joining the team, click the internet icon to view our openings!

www.evanscolorado.gov/hr/jobs

#### Hold Your Next Event with Us!

The City of Evans has a variety of spaces available for meetings, recognition events and weddings. Either at the Community Complex or the beautiful new Riverside Cultural Center.



# City of Evans

### **Contact Information**

Emergency	911 💿
After Hours Non-Emergency	(970) 356-1212 💿
General Information	(970) 475-1170 💿
Police Department	(970) 339-2441 💿
Building Permits	(970) 475-1120 🔞
Building Inspections	(970) 475-2211 💿
Community Development	(970) 475-1120 🔞
Engineering/Mapping	(970) 475-1170 💿
Water and Sewer Billing	(970) 475-1170 💿
Recreation Programs	(970) 475-1125 🔞
City Council	(970) 475-1104 🔞
City Managers Office	(970) 475-1108 💿
City Clerk	(970) 475-1104 🔞
Code Enforcement	(970) 475-1115 📵
Court	(970) 475-1123 🔞
Evans Cemetery	(970) 475-1104 🔞
Business Licenses	(970) 475-1109 🔞
Employment	(970) 475-1161 💿
Senior Programs	(970) 475-1131 💿
Pothole Hotline	(970) 475-1183 🔞
Fire Prevention/Reports	(970) 475-1118 💿
Stormwater Hotline	(970) 475-1183 🙃

### **Local Agencies**

(070) 220 4204
(970) 330-4204 💿
(970) 352-3661 🔞
(970) 356-4565 😉
(970) 348-6000 😉
(970) 356-4000 💿

## City Schedule

All meetings held at The City of Evans Community Complex 1100 37th Street Evans, Colorado Call (970) 475-1170 for more information.

Find agendas, minutes and packets online by clicking on the icon below.

www.evanscolorado.gov/citycouncil



## Regularly Scheduled Meetings

• City Council Work Sessions First and Third Tuesdays at 6:00 pm

• City Council Meetings First and Third Tuesdays at 7:30 pm

> • Planning Commission Fourth Tuesday at 6:00 pm

• Economic Development Advisory Council Fourth Tuesday at 7:00 pm

> • Water and Sewer Board Third Thursday at 3:30 pm

• SBDC Small Business Counseling
Third Thursday of each month

- Recovery and Redevelopment Task Force Second and Fourth Thursday of each month
  - Evans Fire District Board of Directors
    Fourth Monday of each month



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